

**Amendment to the Abstract**

The following new Abstract replaces all prior versions of the Abstract:

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--A method of image transforming is proposed. The method includes generating from an original image having a plurality of original picture elements, a new picture element from the plurality of original picture elements that are neighboring, and forming a first transformation image by arranging the new picture element among the plurality of original picture elements; dividing the original image into a plurality of first regions each having picture elements, searching respective second regions each having picture elements corresponding to the picture elements in the first region, and forming a second transformation image by transforming the picture elements in the first region into the picture elements in the second region; comparing values of respective picture elements in respective corresponding regions of the first transformation image and the second transformation image; and on the basis of the comparison result, deciding to output one of the regions in the first transformation image and the second transformation image.--

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